

<b>Interview Summary</b>	Application No. 10/689,502	Applicant(s) IKEDA ET AL.	
	Examiner Vicky A. Johnson	Art Unit 3682	

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Vicky A. Johnson. (3)\_\_\_\_\_.

(2) Kenneth L. Mitchell. (4)\_\_\_\_\_.

Date of Interview: 09 March 2006.

Type: a)☒ Telephonic b)☐ Video Conference  
c)☐ Personal [copy given to: 1)☐ applicant 2)☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d)☐ Yes e)☒ No.  
If Yes, brief description: \_\_\_\_\_.

Claim(s) discussed: 1.

Identification of prior art discussed: Prior art of record.


Agreement with respect to the claims f)☐ was reached. g)☒ was not reached. h)☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Discussed the support and how it is flexible in the longitudinal direction of the chain. It is agreed that the amendment after final is allowable over the prior art of record, but it also requires a new search because the scope of the claims has been changed.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN A NON-EXTENDABLE PERIOD OF THE LONGER OF ONE MONTH OR THIRTY DAYS FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE, OR THE MAILING DATE OF THIS INTERVIEW SUMMARY FORM, WHICHEVER IS LATER, TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.

Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.

  
 Examiner's signature, if required